

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for May 4:

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FEE CHANGES AT SELECT STATE PARKS

Salt Lake – Sand Hollow, Quail Creek, Gunlock, Anasazi, Hyrum, and Bear Lake state parks implemented fee changes effective May 1. Day-use entrance fees, per vehicle with up to eight occupants, are \$10 at Quail Creek, \$7 at Gunlock, and \$5 at Anasazi.

Individual campsites are \$13 per site at Gunlock. Quail Creek campsites are \$15 with a \$12 extra vehicle fee. Sand Hollow Westside Loop is \$28 and \$15 for an extra vehicle; Sand Hollow Sandpit Loop campsites with utilities are \$25 per site with an \$18 extra vehicle fee. Primitive area camping at Sand Hollow is \$15.

Group camping at Hyrum is \$200 per night. Willow and Big Creek group sites at Bear Lake State Park are \$100 per night and boat camping transient slips at Bear Lake are \$20.

Your park fees provide for care, protection and enhancement of Utah's state parks. For more information, please call (801) 538-7220.

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UTAH STATE PARK RESERVOIRS FILLING FOR SEASON

Salt Lake City – Wet winter and spring conditions should produce enough runoff to fill reservoirs and keep most reservoirs full into the summer for boat launching and other water recreation activities. Northern Utah boating managers report water levels will be average, if not higher.

Southern Utah boating parks report reservoirs should be near capacity. Due to construction, Wide Hollow Reservoir at Escalante Petrified Forest State Park is closed for the season.

“If precipitation continues and residents use water wisely, we should have enough water to keep reservoirs at adequate water levels throughout the summer,”

commented Assistant Boating Program Manager Chris Haller. "Boaters should take advantage of the great conditions and look forward to a good boating season."

For more information on boating or for current reservoir information, visit stateparks.utah.gov.

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

May – June 30 Frontier Homestead State Park Museum – Cedar City
Art Exhibit: Enjoy the works of artist Katie Beckstead. An artist's reception is held Wednesday, May 12 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and is free to the public. (435) 586-9290

May 23 and 28 Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab
Geology of Dead Horse Point: Join park staff for a program about the geology behind the stunning scenery at Dead Horse Point. Meet at the visitor center amphitheater at 7 p.m. (435) 259-2614

May 26 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante
Geology Hike: Travel back in time 150 million years! Explore the park's unique geology on a guided one-mile hike to the Petrified Forest. Meet at the visitor center at 10 a.m. (435) 826-4466

May 27 Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab
Full Moon Hike: Join park staff for a mile-long sunset/moonrise hike. Meet at the Neck parking area, about one mile south of the visitor center at 8:30 p.m. for this hour-long program. (435) 259-2614

May 28 – 31 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse
Cowboy Legends Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival: This 5th annual festival celebrates the cowboy ranching history on the Island. Take a trail or wagon ride with proceeds benefitting the Huntsman Cancer Institute. Listen to cowboy poets and musicians, or view the works of saddle and hat makers. Sample Dutch oven cooking and attend cowboy church. (801) 649-5742

May 28 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park
Sunset Hike: Experience the magic of a colorful canyon country sunset on a guided hike to the Petrified Forest. Bring a camera and your sense of adventure. Meet at the visitor center at 8 p.m. (435) 826-4466

May 29 – 31 Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum - Fairfield
Civil War Encampment: Visitors experience camp life and participate in several activities performed by soldiers of Johnston's Army. Events include reenactments, encampments, storytelling, stagecoach rides, firearm and cannon demonstrations, marches, drills, 1861 period games, and photos in period uniform. (801) 768-8932

May 29 Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins
Nature's Bounty: Learn about the local bounty that supported earlier inhabitants of

the region on this 1.5-mile hike that begins at 9 a.m. Learn to identify medicinal and edible plants and their traditional uses. Registration is held two days prior to event. (435) 628-2255

May 29 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante
Junior Ranger - Fabulous Fossils! Learn about fossils and how they form. Make your own fossil and earn a Junior Ranger badge. Meet at the visitor center at 10 a.m. (435) 826-4466

May 29 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway
Junior Ranger - Icky Bugs: Children ages six to 12 are invited to learn about the wonders of insects during this one-hour program designed to get kids excited about nature. Meet at the campground office at 1 p.m. (435) 654-1791

May 29 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway
Huber Grove History Tour: Tour historic Huber Grove from 10 to 11 a.m. Visit this beautiful, peaceful area and learn about the Huber Family and the Mormon West. Tour is free and open to the public. (435) 654-1791

May 29 Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab
Leapin' Lizards! Test your reptile knowledge and learn what kind of reptiles live at Dead Horse Point State Park. Meet at the visitor center amphitheater at 7:30 p.m. (435) 259-2614

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